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**REPLY/AMENDMENT
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Attorney Docket No.	1083.1046
Application Number	08/991,855
Filing Date	December 16, 1997
First Named Inventor	Takahiro KII, et al.
Group Art Unit	2624

AMOUNT ENCLOSED

\$120.00

Examiner Name

King Y Poon

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 01/01/03)

CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	27	- 25 =	2	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 36.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	8	- 7 =	1	X \$ 84.00 =	84.00

Since an Official Action set an original due date of March 24, 2003, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$410); 3 months (\$930); 4 months (\$1,450); 5 months (\$1,970)):

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110)

Total of above Calculations =

\$ 120.00

Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)

TOTAL FEES DUE =

\$ 120.00

(1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0".

(2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20".

(4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0".

(5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3".

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- ☒ Check enclosed as payment.
- ☐ Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below.
- ☐ No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).

GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

- ☒ If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to:
- Deposit Account No. 19-3935
- Deposit Account Name STAAS & HALSEY LLP
- ☒ The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP

Typed Name J. Randall Beckers

Reg. No. 30,358

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Date

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Takahiro Kii, et al.

Serial No. 08/991,855

Group Art Unit: 2624

Confirmation No. 3105

Filed: December 16, 1997

Examiner: King Y Poon

For: ELECTRONIC NEWS SYSTEM AND RECORDING MEDIUM TO BE USED
THEREFOR

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 24, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on March 24, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please AMEND claims 1, 7, 9, 13, 17, 21, 25 and ADD new claims 26 and 27 in accordance with the following:

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1. (FIVE TIMES AMENDED) An electronic news system for managing an electronic message and a reply to said message, comprising:
storage means for storing data for a fixed form reply, inputted in advance of the message and stored separately from the electronic message;
input means for inputting the electronic message without information about a reply to said message;
output means for outputting the message with said data for the fixed form reply to the message retrieved from said storage means, said data for a fixed form reply independent of the

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